



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 3738**

PATENT

Customer No. 22,852

Attorney Docket No. 7528.0003-01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
)	
Todd J. MORTIER et al.)	Group Art Unit: 3738
)	
Application No.: 09/981,790)	Examiner: David Willse
)	
Filed: October 19, 2001)	
)	
For: VALVE TO MYOCARDIUM)	Confirmation No.: 6743
TENSION MEMBERS DEVICE)	
AND METHOD)	

Mail Stop AF

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed on April 18, 2005, the period for response having been extended to September 19, 2005 (September 18, 2005, being a Sunday), by a Petition for Extension of Time - Two Months - and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the claim rejections for the reasons explained in the following **Remarks** section of this paper.